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CUELLAR

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SUMMARY: GIVEN THE FRICTION INHERENT IN SECURITY COUNCIL
CONSIDERATION OF GOC COMPLAINT, DE CUELLAR DOES NOT THINK
WALDHEIM SHOULD TAKE THE RISK OF CALLING FOR A MEETING
OF GREEK AND TURKISH CYPRIOT LEADERS NOW OR EVEN IN
CONJUNCTION WITH UNGA OPENING. RATHER, HE FORESEES
POSSIBILITY OF WALDHEIM'S MEETING SEPARATELY WITH THE
PARTIES DURING THE UNGA OPENING IN AN EFFORT TO
ARRANGE A JOINT MEETING AT THE TIME OF CYPRUS DEBATE IN
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LATE OCTOBER OR EARLY NOVEMBER. IN A MEETING WITH
DE CUELLAR AUG 29, DENKTASH VIRTUALLY-- BUT NOT
ABSOLUTELY--RULED OUT POSSIBILITY OF FURTHER INTER-
COMMUNAL NEGOTIATION UNTIL AFTER FEBRUARY. END SUMMARY.

1. I SAW DE CUELLAR AND GORGE AUG 30 FOLLOWING FORMER'S
RETURN FROM LIMA. I TOOK UP AS FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

DEPT'S PREFERENCE THAT WALDHEIM CONSIDER CALLING MEETING OF GREEK AND TURKISH CYPRIOT LEADERS OR REPRESENTATIVES AT THE TIME OF UNGA OPENING RATHER THAN WHEN CYPRUS DEBATE ITSELF TAKES PLACE SEVERAL WEEKS LATER. DE CUELLAR SAID HE DID NOT THINK THIS WOULD BE POSSIBLE. GIVEN THE ATMOSPHERE WHICH WILL RESULT FROM SC CONSIDERATION OF GOC COMPLAINT, HE DOUBTED WALDHEIM WOULD TAKE THE RISK. HOWEVER, IN CONJUNCTION WITH UNGA OPENING, HE MIGHT MEET SEPARATELY WITH THE PARTIES WITH AN EYE TO ARRANGING A JOINT MEETING TIMED WITH UNGA CYPRUS DEBATE IN LATE OCTOBER OR EARLY NOVEMBER.

2. DE CUELLAR BRIEFED ME ON MEETING HE HAD HELD PREVIOUS DAY WITH DENKTASH. DENKTASH HAD VIRTUALLY BUT NOT ABSOLUTELY CLOSED THE DOOR TO FURTHER INTERCOMMUNAL NEGOTIATION OF ANY SORT BEFORE FEBRUARY. HE TERMED GREEK CYPRIOT NEGOTIATOR PAPADOPOULOS' RECENT CALL FOR CONTINUED NEGOTIATION SHEER PROPAGANDA. HE, DENKTASH, WOULD NOT LEND HIMSELF TO THIS (ALTHOUGH WE NOTE--REF A-- THAT HE IS DOING THE SAME THING). HE WOULD PERMIT NEGOTIATION ONLY IF THE OTHER SIDE SHOWED AN INTEREST IN PEACE RATHER THAN PROPAGANDA. DENKTASH ASSERTED THAT ADDITIONAL REASON FOR NOT NEGOTIATING BEFORE FEBRUARY IS TEMPORARY NATURE OF KYPRIANOU GOVERNMENT WHICH IN THIS SENSE LACKS LEGITIMACY AS REPRESENTATIVE OF GREEK CYPRIOTS. FINALLY, HE SAID ENTIRE SITUATION WILL HAVE TO BE REVIEWED
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